BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF ELECTIONS October 5, 2005

Pursuant to public notice, The Board of Supervisors of Elections Meeting was held on October 5, 2005, in the City Council Chamber. Chair Allan J. Furth called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Chair Allen Furth, Arnold Smith, Election Administrator Norma Stapleton,

Acting City Clerk Watkins-Eldridge

Member Susan Pitcher was absent.

Member Smith moved to approve the minutes for August 29, 2005, September 7, 2005, September 8, 2005 and September 22, 2005. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

ELECTION DAY PROBLEMS

Annapolis Elementary School, Ward 1, Precinct 11

Accessability for Handicap Individuals

Diane Yeager and Jessica Yeager, 53 College Ave. were present and Answered questions by the Board.

Election Office received a call from Ms. Diane Yaeger stating there need to be more signs to direct people to the Handicap accessability ramp.

St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Ward 6, Precinct 16

Election Office received a visit from Mr. Barbara Smith stating they was inappropriate behavior in the polling precinct a judge.

Tyler Heights Elementary School, Ward 6, Precinct 6

The Election Office received several phone calls regarding the behavior of a judge.

Challengers and Watchers

The Election Office received an e-mail from Kathy M. Nieberding stating several inside poll watchers experienced difficulty with their attempts to sit quietly and record the names of voters who check-in. She requested we review this process before the General Election.

The Board Members discussed having additional training for the judges regarding Poll Watcher and what access will be appropriate as long as it doesn't interfere with the Judges responsibilities.

OTHER BUSINESS

Arlene Kaye Berlin

Member Smith moved to accept the Certificate of Withdrawal dated September 30, 2005 from Write-In Candidate Arlene Kaye Berlin.

Annapolis Democratic Central Committee

Member Smith moved to accept the Annapolis Democratic Central Committee's letter of appointment for the Democratic Candidate for Ward 7 Alderman dated September 28, 2005.

Certificate of Candidacy

Member Smith moved to accept the Certificate of Candidacy for Samuel Earl Shropshire for Alderman ward # 7

Chair Furth accepted into record a letter from City Attorney Shaem C. Spencer dated October 5, 2005 regarding election issues.

Samuel Shropshire gave a brief presentation on the Certificate.

Spoke in favor of the Certificate:

Samuel Shropshire, 9 Silverwood Circle, Annapolis, Md. 21403 Gail Smith, 320 Halsey Road, Annapolis, Md. 21403 Rose Thorman, 7101 Bay Front Drive, Annapolis, Md. 21401 Joshua White, 126 Locas Lane, Annapolis, Md. 21401 Arlene Berlin, 1103 Lake Heron Drive, Annapolis, Md. 21403

Spoke in opposition to the Certificate

Cliff Meyers, 8 Acton Place, Annapolis, Md. 21401 Bob McWilliams, 113 Chesapeake Ave., Annapolis, Md. 21403 Randy Landis, 141 Dewey Drive, Annapolis, Md. 21401

No one else from the general public spoke in favor of or in opposition to the Certificate.

Upon motion duly made, seconded and adopted, the meeting adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

Norma Stapleton ELECTION ADMINISTRATOR